

Randolph Township Trustees Regular Meeting Thursday, October 13, 2011

Chairman Roger Klodt opened the meeting with the pledge at 7:00 p.m. Fiscal Officer Mary Rodenbucher read the minutes from the previous meeting. Mike moved to approve the previous minutes. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes. Present: Trustees Roger Klodt, Mike Lang, Sue White, FO Mary Rodenbucher, D. Kolasky, J. Presley, G. Klag, G. Harrison, S. Flint, D. Rice, L. Hauck, L. Klodt

Old Business

Mike reported that the blacktop issue is on hold due to equipment repairs. Mike stated that we may need to contact ODOT regarding the fire station parking lot. Roger spoke to Skibiski Asphalt about the SC/CC parking lot. He will get a quote and a recommendation regarding completing the work this year. Roger feels we may need to put a hold on all paving this year due to the temperature. Mike feels we need to address the issue with RFD water. Roger feels we could get a better price if we wait and do everything at one time. Mike suggested getting specs for all the areas that need to be paved. Larry stated that it would be difficult to get quote this year and do the work next year.

Mike explained the problem with the high estimate regarding the stand-by generator. He received a quote from Bob Joseph for \$9,100.00. We will need to put a fence around it due to the controls. Mike moved to engage with Bob Joseph for the stand-by generator hook up. Roger seconded. Discussion: Sue asked why the cost is so high. Mike explained the issue and that it is considered a commercial job. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger -yes.

Mike spoke about the energy conservation that was presented at a previous meeting. He spoke to fair board members who stated that they are not up and running yet. Mike wants to see it before we move forward with any improvements. Mike is concerned that the lighting will not be acceptable. Roger stated that they reviewed the buildings and will send in the application. Larry stated that Lindsey Restaurant has the lighting. Doug stated that the light bulbs are half the cost at Sam's. Roger will get some references from the contractor.

Mike reported that we received the OPWC Aberagg Road application.

Sue asked Laura to speak at this time. Laura is president of the LCA. The LCA has some questions. They received many memorial donations for Virginia Hamilton. They bought two benches to place in front of the chapel. The LCA would like the flower beds removed from the front of the chapel and have cement pads for the benches. The LCA would also like any extra benches that could be used at the cemetery. There was discussion about trees in the cemetery. Mike stated that we have received information from different people and groups. Laura asked if anyone has a problem with hydrangea trees. Larry stated that they are beautiful but can be overwhelming. Roger stated that we can find a place for them. Laura asked if there is funding for a fan in the chapel. Mike stated that we do and will do it. Roger asked Larry for recommendations. Larry spoke to Grace and stated that we can pour the cement pads next spring when we pour footers. Roger thanked the LCA for their work in our cemeteries. He spoke about the Sound Off comment complaining about the terrible condition of a neighboring township cemetery. Laura commended Larry and the road department for the good job they do.

Sue spoke to the Health Department about water well testing. The Portage County Health Department does not have list of chemicals because they are not required to disclose it. Doug stated that it is usually a degreaser. Sue stated that the contractors are exempt. Sue feels the health department should know this information. Sue stated that the deeper and horizontal drilling is what makes it hazardous.

Roger reported that the garage doors on eBay sold for over \$1,200.00. He spoke to a representative at ODOT in Akron who might have some Park and Ride signs. Roger reported that we advertised for full-time employee. The trustees received a letter from Chief Lang with staffing recommendations. Chief Lang recommended to hire Matt Winters. Roger agrees with Chief Lang. Roger moved to hire Matt Winters as a full-time RFD employee effective October 30, 2011. Sue seconded. Discussion: Mike is very impressed with Matt's drive, good work ethic and caring nature. Roger is excited that Matt would like to make it a career in Randolph. Doug commented that he has lived in many places, but nothing compares to Randolph and he is not moving again. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Roger moved to adopt the RFD staffing policy presented by Chief Lang. Mike seconded. Discussion: Mike stated it helps us with future growth. Mary stated that all documents were reviewed by the prosecutor's office. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

New Business

Mike has nothing at this time.

Sue went to the Portage County Regional Planning meeting. She stated that the city of Ravenna had an asset mapping completed. Sue was very impressed with the information and would like to use some of our hours to have one for Randolph. Sue moved to have Regional Planning perform an asset mapping for Randolph. Roger seconded. Discussion: Roger is in agreement as long as we do not go over our hours. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Roger reported that Bill Steiner called and requested that Randolph be a drop off point with the Portage County Recycle District tire amnesty day on October 29. They will take only tires with no limit and no charge. Our recycle day is limited to six6 tires per household.

Mary asked if anyone received the update library agreement. Sue has not heard from Cecelia. Mary asked if the trustees reviewed the hall rental agreements. Roger would like to think about it and address it at the organizational meeting. Mike stated that it may impact some people who use it.

Mary requested a motion to appropriate receipts 189 - 196 totaling \$20,842.28 and pay warrants 32725 – 32774, EFTs 1046 – 1052 and voucher 21 totaling \$112,433.47. Roger so moved. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Larry presented the road department report. The old fuel building has been removed and the new tank with the fence has been installed. Larry reported on building maintenance. The final building inspection is scheduled for tomorrow. Larry stated that everything will be removed from the block building tomorrow. RFD will use the block building for fire training and then it will be demolished. Tim has completed about 75% - 80% of the final round of road mowing. Larry reported on truck repairs. The cemetery footers have been poured along with a pad for the cemetery dumpster. Bruce has trimmed the shrubs.

Dan presented the trustee's assistant and zoning report. One permit was issued. The phone service has been changed and is up and running. Dan presented information on the internet service. The Zoning Commission will meet on Monday, October 24, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the SC.

Public Comment

George asked about Lovejoy issue. Dan stated a status is in the works.

Gary received a call from Jasen Bryan who stated a truck driver dropped off cheese to RFD. He wanted to thank the RFD assisting the Food Shelf. Gary asked about the hourly rate for the new full-time employee. Roger stated that it is public record. Roger reported that the starting pay is \$12 per hour with benefits. Roger stated that he has been working almost 40 hours a week for the past few months. We want to keep qualified people in the department to keep up with the growth of the township. Roger feels it takes advantage of people to just hire part-time employees. We need to look and plan for stability.

Larry tried to schedule H. Luli for the work on Eberly Road, but he is not sure when it will take place. He is hoping to complete it before winter.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Roger Woodt
Mary A. Rodenhucher